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This fact sheet has been created to provide information to the local emergency management agencies on who to contact for questions regarding radiological training.

The Field Services Division will additionally provide support to other areas of within IDHS to include Mitigation/Recovery, Planning, and Operations.

Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program

On December 7, 1979, following the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant accident in Pennsylvania, President Carter transferred the Federal lead role in offsite radiological emergency planning and preparedness activities from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). FEMA established the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program to (1) ensure the health and safety of citizens living around commercial nuclear power plants would be adequately protected in the event of a nuclear power plant accident; and (2) inform and educate the public about radiological emergency preparedness. REP Program responsibilities encompass only “offsite” activities, that is, State, tribal and local government emergency planning and preparedness activities that take place beyond the nuclear power plant boundaries.

In the state of Indiana 11 counties lie within the 50 mile Emergency Planning Zone of the commercial nuclear power plants located in Illinois and Michigan. Due to their proximity to a nuclear power plant, those counties are part of the Indiana ingestion exposure pathway response plan. The REP program provides assistance to those counties for planning, development, and training.

If you have questions related to any of the information outlined or you would like additional information, please contact:

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